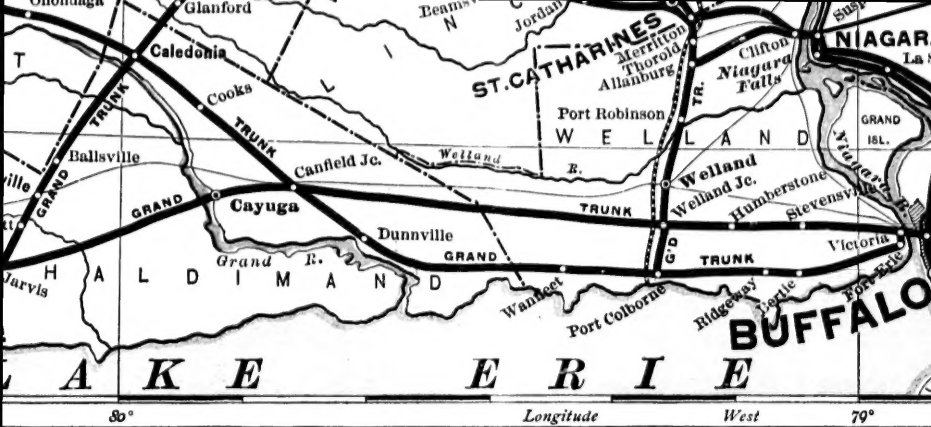










MUSKOKA LAKES.

American visitors who visit Toronto and the beauty of the Muskoka lakes, they would find a delightful region. The same is true of those who disparaging other summer resorts, they find the most beautiful scenes in a country where, over the Thousand Islands, the Georgian Bay, and the Georgian Head. We have no personal interest in this region, specially interested in it; but we speak of this region of health and beauty when we say that lakes excel these.

From Toronto to Muskoka we have had with us on our first visit; and, without exception, they have been the Queen of Sheba, 'the half was not told' of those who are overworked and suffering from the heat of the Muskoka lakes offer the greatest health and pleasure. They present a remarkable and beautiful region that it would be difficult to describe. We saw on the train leaving Toronto when there was no special excursion, four or five hundred people, so ample that those who visit. The shores of Lakes Muskoka,



MUSKOKA HUNTING PARTY.





...steamer, near by, sports an elegant hotel and a bathing beach unexcelled on inland lakes. Utterson, 14 miles from Bracebridge, is next reached, and within easy access is Mary Lake, one of the gems of Muskoka. Huntsville and Katrine, further on, to pleasure, sport or nature hold a key. Katrine is also the junction point from which the Magnetawan river chain is easily accessible, and four miles beyond is Burk's Falls, where steamers of the Muskoka & Georgian Bay Navigation Co. can be taken. Sundridge, South River and Callander, all splendid fishing points, are next passed, and North Bay is reached on Lake Nipissing. From here the points of interest adjacent are easily accessible by boat or wagon, and to enumerate them would be an endless task. Suffice it to say that the sun does not shine on a more perfect combination of fun, hard work, fish, game and scenic pleasures than this diversified region has to offer, and all reached by the **Grand Trunk Railway.**

AT BURK'S FALLS the Steamer "*Wenonah*" for **Magnetawan and Lake Ahmic.**

LAKE OF BAYS Stage from **Bracebridge to Baysville**, connecting with Steamer "*Mary Louise*." Also train to Huntsville, thence by steamers on Lakes Falry, Peninsula and Lake of Bays. Here are to be found Deer, Beaver Bear, Otter and Wild Geese and Ducks in abundance. Hunting Parties will not be disappointed.

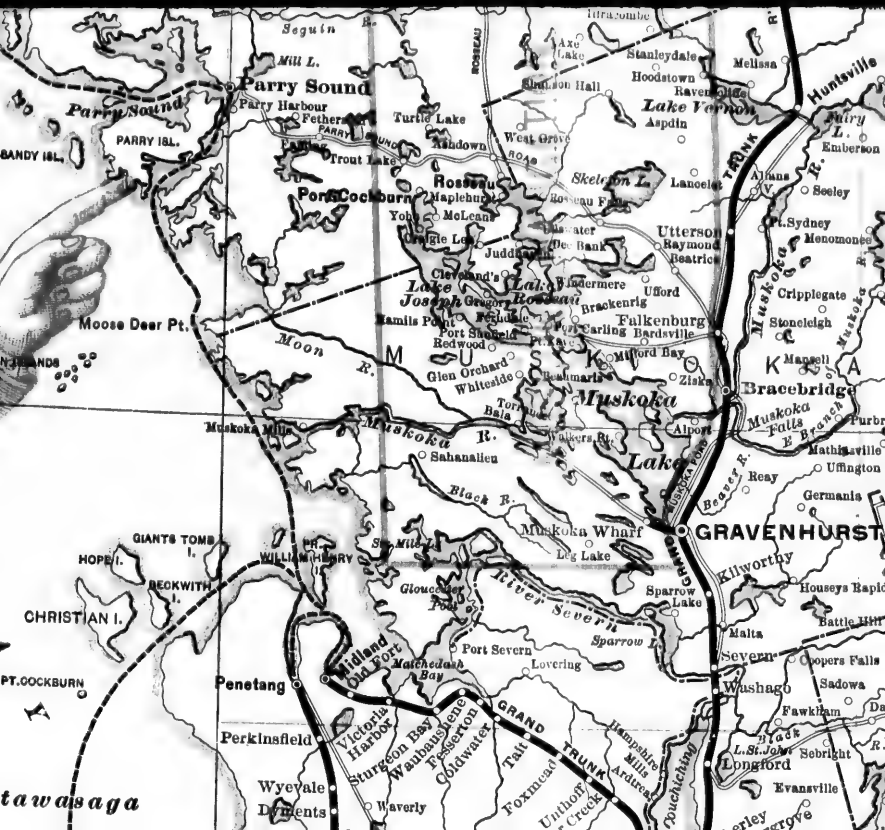
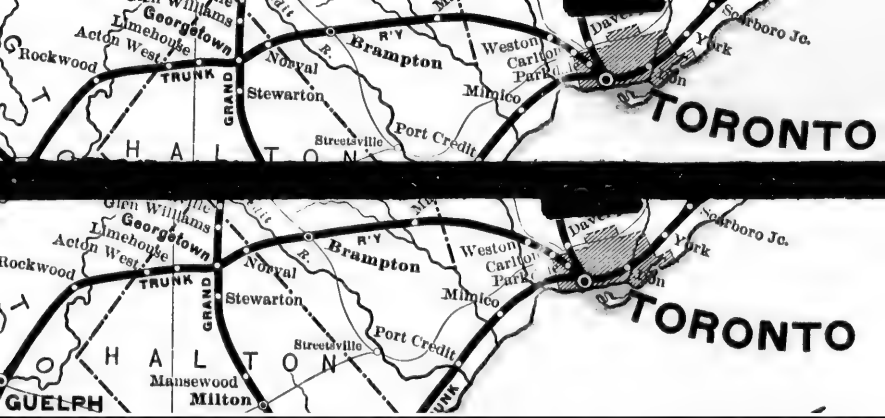
Commencing Saturday, JUNE 29th, '95

The "Muskoka" (or other steamer) connecting with the Atlantic and Pacific Express, will leave Gravenhurst (Town Wharf) daily (except Sunday) at 6.45 a.m., and Muskoka Wharf at 7 a.m. as follows: On Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays to Rosseau (breakfast on board) and intermediate places. On Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays to Port Cockburn and intermediate places, connecting at Beaumaris with the "Kenozha" for Bala, Bracebridge, etc., and with the "Nipissing" and "Medora" to all other points on the Lakes. Calls will be made at Walker's Point and Point Kaye on the mornings of Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

SPECIAL.—The "Oriole" will be available to supplement above arrangements with extra trips to and from Bala and other points for the accommodation of visitors from all points.

AT MUSKOKA WHARF the fine Steamers of the Muskoka & Georgian Bay Navigation Co., viz., the "Medora," "Nipissing," "Kenozha," "Muskoka" and "Oriole," can be taken for

**Bracebridge, Beaumaris, Bala, Pt. Carling, Pt. Sandfield,
Windermere, Rosseau and Pt. Cockburn.**





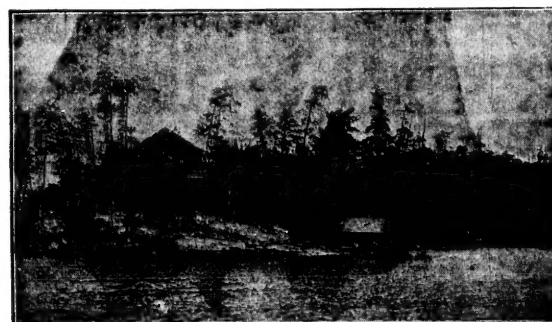




THE BEAUTIFUL LAKES OF MUSKOKA.

ONE of the writers of *Saturday Night*, who was lucky enough to choose, for his two weeks' holiday last summer, a visit to the beautiful lakes of Muskoka, thus speaks of his brief sojourn there:

"Kind circumstances enabled me to get away for a fortnight and sensible friends advised me to spend my holidays among the islands and on the lakes of Muskoka. The Grand Trunk Railway cannot, to my notion, receive anything but praise for the way in which it has sought to develop the summer resort business of Muskoka. The train and boat service from the Union Station at Toronto right up to Port Cockburn at the head of Lake Joseph, or to Rosseau at the head of Lake Rosseau, is uniformly excellent. I have spent vacations at some of the American fashionable resorts, where the prices are higher than the mountains and more thrillingly unique than anything in the landscape; at Mackinac, and Petosky Harbor Springs on Lake Michigan, where hay-fever



patients come to sneeze away the glad and joyous summer season; at other places where mosquitoes are so numerous and enormous that many of them weigh a pound—and it takes a good many—but on so much of the green earth as I have visited, nowhere have I found the delights held so cheap as in the Muskoka Lake region.

"The Grand Trunk train runs right to the wharf at Gravenhurst, and there the steamer *Medora* awaits to take tourists up to the head of Lake Joseph, and the steamer *Nipissing* stands pretty impatient for a run to the head of Lake Rosseau. These boats are officered by obliging men, and as I made both trips I tested the comfort of each vessel. Dodging about among innumerable islands on one of the boats is truly delightful. Until a little canal was sunk at Port Sandfield, tourists seldom went up Lake Joseph, unless

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Muskoka Lakes Resorts

THE term Muskoka Lakes refers chiefly to the three fair sister lakes, **Muskoka, Rosseau and Joseph**. The sinuous shores of these three lakes form a coast line of hundreds of miles, with some four hundred beautiful islands studded with considerable regularity, thus affording adequate protection and shelter for the frailest canoe or row-boat. The lakes are traversed in all directions by the comfortable steamers of our Muskoka and Georgian Bay Navigation Company. Upwards of thirty-five hotels and boarding houses are regularly distributed along the lakes, and are quite accessible for the twice-daily steamers.

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THE LATE SIR JOHN THOMPSON AND PARTY

Rosseau and Joseph are made beautiful with cottages, but there is room for thousands more without the slightest crowding. The special features of the Muskoka lakes are the pure air of an elevated, rocky country—the remarkable clearness of the waters, which reflect the form and color of every island and tree with singular vividness—the unlimited facilities for boating and bathing—the absence of lime in the water—the picturesque, varying beauty of the scenery, arresting attention and diverting one's thoughts from the things that occupy them in the daily toil of hand and brain—the short distance from the cities, and the moderate prices for board—all make it a most desirable place in which to spend a summer vacation. But those who cannot stay any length of time will find the sight of these beautiful lakes well worth a visit."

The number of tourists who went to Muskoka last summer is larger than that of any preceding year. A large number of the visitors are Americans, and these are increasing in number from year to year. The Grand Trunk, which controls the railway approach to Muskoka, attributed the great expansion of business last year to its special advertising of the district. Thousands of Muskoka folders were distributed throughout the States, principally New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio, and the result has been highly satisfactory. The traffic on the Richelieu & Ontario steamers last year was largely in excess of what it has been in recent years. It is said a couple of new

